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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 11 December 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP
ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Consultation Room

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1373 (2001)
CONCERNING COUNTER-TERRORISM

3 p.m.	14th (closed) meeting	Conference Room 7

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
PURSUANT RESOLUTION 864 (1993) CONCERNING
THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

3 p.m.	39th (closed) meeting*	Conference Room 8

* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	83rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	84th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal: draft resolution (A/56/L.47) [23]
2. Multilingualism [32]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/656)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.44)
3. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [35]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/499, A/56/611)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.46)
4. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [44]
   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/391, A/56/416)
   (b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/56/273)
   (c) Draft resolutions (A/56/L.42/Rev.1, A/56/L.45)
5. Towards global partnerships [39]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/323 and Corr.1)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.33)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.37 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.2, A/C.2/56/L.3 and A/C.2/56/L.52 (item 95 (c)) and A/C.2/56/L.30 and L.55 (programme budget implications) (item 104)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.11 and L.19 (programme budget implications) and A/56/19 (chapter VIII, sect. A) (item 98 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.17/Rev.1 and L.50 (programme budget implications) (item 98 (c)), A/C.2/56/41 and L.51 (programme budget implications) and A/C.2/56/L.39 and L.40 (item 102)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.18 and A/C.2/56/L.26 (item 96 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.25 (item 96 (b)), A/C.2/56/L.24 (item 97 (b)) and A/C.2/56/L.23 (item 97 (d))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Ms. Jana Simonova (Czech Republic), Rapporteur of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a))

3 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [95]
   (c) Science and technology for development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.3 and L.52

2. Sustainable development and international economic co-operation [97]

   (a) Women in development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.21 and L.63

   (d) Implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.23

3. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/45/L.20 and L.65

   (b) International Strategy for disaster reduction

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.15 and L.62

4. Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [103]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.5 and L.61

5. Operational activities for development: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries [99 (b)]

   Introduction of draft decision A/C.2/56/L.64

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon) and Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairmen of the Second Committee, to hear reports by each of the facilitators on all outstanding draft proposals and to take action, ad referendum, on those draft proposals that are ready for adoption

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* Following the adjournment of the 39th meeting of the Second Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/6 and Corr.1, A/56/7, A/56/16, A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1 and A/C.5/56/11/Rev.2))

2 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 123 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: Safety and security of United Nations personnel (A/56/469 and Corr.1 and 2 and 3 (Arabic and French only) and A/56/619)); 122 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001) and 133 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations): Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) (A/C.5/55/46 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/56/478))

6 p.m. 9 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/56/32, A/56/120/Rev.1, A/56/133, A/56/188, A/56/213 and Corr.1, A/56/261, A/56/277, A/56/293, A/56/299, A/56/300, A/56/339, A/AC.198/2001/8 and A/56/475))

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa
2. Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTING AS THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SECOND WORLD ASSEMBLY ON AGEING

Resumed first session

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations	Conference Room 1
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	informal consultations	Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft outcome document for the World Assembly on Ageing (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.9)

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Second regular session for 2001

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	17th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	18th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation [5]

   (a) Country programme recommendations

   (b) Recommendation for additional regular resources for approved country programmes and the extension of a subregional programme

   (c) Intercountry programmes

2. Report to the United Nations Board of Auditors and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [6] (E/ICEF/2001/AB/L.8)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 20, organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), will be held *today*, 11 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All delegations are invited to attend.

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Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 11 December 2001, there will be meetings of interested delegations on the following draft proposals:

Conference room to be announced: A/C.2/56/L.2 (item 95 (c)), from 9.40 a.m. to 10.10 a.m.;

Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.17/Rev.1 (item 98 (c)), from 10 a.m. to 12 noon;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/56/L.39 and L.40 (item 102), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room 4: A/C.2/56/L.59 (item 106), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room 8: A/C.2/56/L.11 (item 98 (a)), from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.24 (item 97 (b)), from 12 noon to 1.15 p.m.;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/56/L.41 (item 98 (f)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and

Conference Room 6: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for these consultations.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 11 December 2001

AFRICAN GROUP:

GROUP OF EXPERTS OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

GROUP OF 77
(on ageing)

6.30 p.m. - 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Ageing) today*, 11 December 2001, from 9 a.m. to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of their International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 11 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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Briefing

There will be a briefing on "Older Workers and Population Ageing, Employment and Social Protection Issues", organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO), *today*, 11 December 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The speakers will be Michael Cichon, Chief of the Financial, Actuarial and Statistical Services Branch of the Social Protection Sector, ILO, and Mariangels Fortuny, Focal Point on Ageing, In Focus Programme on Skills, Knowledge and Employability, ILO. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis (tel.: (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

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Briefing

In conjunction with the resumed session of the Preparatory Committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing, there will be a briefing on the theme "Bringing Health and Ageing into the Development Agenda - the WHO Experience", sponsored by the World Health Organization, *today*, 11 December 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Dr. Alex Kalache, Coordinator, Ageing and Life Course, WHO, Geneva, will be the presenter. Dr. Martha Pelaez, Regional Advisor on Ageing, PAHO/WHO, and Ms. Irene Hoskins, Senior Technical Officer, Ageing and Life Course, WHO, Geneva, will be among the participants. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 12 December 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 85th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/586) [159]

2. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/587 and Corr.1) [160]

3. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fourth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/588 and Corr.1 (English only)) [161]

4. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/589 and Corr.1 (Arabic, Chinese, English, Russian and Spanish only)) [162]

5. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/590 and Corr.1 (English, French, Russian and Spanish only)) [163]

6. Establishment of the International Criminal Court: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/591) [164]

7. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/592) [165]

8. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/593) [166]

9. Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/594 and Corr.1 (Chinese, English, French and Russian only)) [167]

10. Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/595 and Corr.1) [168]

11. Observer status for the International Development Law Institute in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/596) [170]

12. Observer status for the International Hydrographic Organization in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/597 and Corr.1) [172]

13. Observer status for the Community of Sahelo-Saharan States in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/598 and Corr.1) [173]

14. International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/599) [174]

15. Observer status for Partners in Population and Development in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/600) [176]

16. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union: report of the Sixth Committee (A/56/646) [21 (f)]

3 p.m. 86th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/56/3 and Add.1 and 2) [12]

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Room to be announced
3 p.m.	40th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
2 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

An informal (closed) meeting of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on consultation of troop contributors will be held on Friday, 14 December 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Credentials Committee on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Delegations that have not submitted credentials in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly are asked to submit them to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee before the meeting (room 3420A).

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The fourth session of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Financing for Development will be held from 14 to 25 January 2002. The first meeting will take place on Monday, 14 January, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work will be issued as document A/AC.257/31.

Delegations are requested to submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Ms. Vivian Pliner-Josephs (room S-2950E; fax: (212) 963-5935).

Background information on the preparatory process for the International Conference on Financing for Development and the work of the Preparatory Committee is available on the financing for development Web site at: <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd>.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations in preparation for its resumed 2001 session on Wednesday and Thursday, 19 and 20 December 2001, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., in Conference Room 8 and 9, respectively.

The Committee will hold its resumed 2001 session from 14 to 25 January 2002 in Conference Room 4. The agenda of the 2001 session is contained in document E/C.2/2001/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are requested to inform the Secretary-General about the composition of their delegation for the resumed session through the Committee Secretary, Mr. Otto Gustafik (room S-2950F, fax: 212 962-5935).

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (4-15 March 2002). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Eradicating poverty, including through the empowerment of women throughout their life cycle in a globalizing world; and (2) Environmental management and mitigation of natural disasters: a gender perspective. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women, by hand-delivery to room DC2-1260, by fax ((212)-963-3463); or by e-mail (daw@un.org), no later than Friday, 14 December 2001.

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The revised draft outcome document of the International Conference on Financing for Development, which has been prepared by the Facilitator, Mr. Mauricio Escanero, is available on the Financing for Development Web site at: <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd>. Hard copies of the text may be obtained from the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat (room DC2-2386).

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At the informal meeting held on Friday, 7 December 2001, the Chairperson of Working Group II of the Disarmament Commission dealing with agenda item 5 (Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms) distributed the information provided by delegations on documents and meetings on existing confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms. Copies of the information are available at the Department of Disarmament Affairs with Mr. Nazir Kamal (room S-3170F; tel.: (212) 963-6195), as well as with the Chairperson, Ms. Gabriela Martinic, Permanent Mission of Argentina (tel.: (212) 688-6300, extensions 226 and 224). The Chairperson would also like to remind all delegations that they might submit further information.

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Background information on the Secretary-General's report on the priority theme "Integration of social and economic policy"of the fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development (12-22 February 2002), is available to be picked up at the office of the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development (room DC2-1370). It can also be downloaded from the Web site of the Division at: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/2002/htm>.

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Second Committee)* on Wednesday, 12 December 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of Interested States in Practical Disarmament Measures, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 52/38G (Consolidation of Peace through Practical Disarmament Measures). The meeting will take place on Thursday 13 December 2001, at 3 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Germany (871 United Nations Plaza, 22nd Floor). The meeting will review the status of ongoing practical disarmament projects and will consider any additional related proposals. The meeting is open to all interested delegations.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "A Civil Society Perspective on Ageing in Developing Countries", co-sponsored by the Programme on Ageing, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and HelpAge International on Wednesday, 12 December 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Panellists will include Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing, organized jointly by the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat and the delegation of Mexico, on the organizational arrangements for the forthcoming International Conference on Financing for Development (Monterrey (Mexico), 18-22 March 2002) on Friday, 14 December 2001, at 10 a.m. The conference room will be announced.

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Workshop

There will be a workshop on "Creating a Union in Africa and in Europe", jointly organized by the delegation of the European Union and the Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will take place on Wednesday, 12 December 2001, from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber (tentatively). For further information, please contact Ms. Sherene Bailey (Organization of African Unity) (tel.: (212) 319-5490) or Ms. Anna Rode (European Union) (tel.: (212) 401-0160).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is conducting a workshop on team development. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Wednesday, 19 December, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, an outline of activities and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. Members from United Nations agencies are also encouraged to apply. The registration deadline is *today*, 11 December. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Monday, 3 December 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 10 December 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

81st plenary meeting

Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/107) [17 (g)]

The Acting President announced that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, Cuba and the Russian Federation would be included in the list of five countries to be drawn up that would be requested to propose candidates for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

Since, from among the African States, there were six candidates for one vacancy, from among the Asian States, there were two candidates for one vacancy, and from among the Western European and other States, there were three candidates for one vacancy, the General Assembly proceeded to select by secret ballot one State from the African States, one State from the Asian States and one State from the Western European and other States that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, would be included in the list of five countries to be drawn up.

The results of the first round of balloting were as follows:

	Votes
Cameroon	41
China	114
Comoros	9
Egypt	11
France	64
Kenya	34
Lebanon	59
Mauritius	16
Sweden	24
United Republic of Tanzania	61
United States of America	81

On the first round of balloting, China was selected to be included in the list of five countries to be drawn up that would be requested to propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

Since one country from among the African States and one country from among the Western European and other States remained to be selected, the General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a second round of balloting (first restricted ballot).

The results of the second round of balloting (first restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Cameroon	64
France	78
United Republic of Tanzania	109
United States of America	98

On the second round of balloting (first restricted ballot), the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States of America were selected to be included in the list of five countries to be drawn up that would be requested to propose candidates for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

The Acting President announced that the President of the General Assembly, after holding the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, would propose a list of candidates to the Assembly for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (g) of agenda item 17.

Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [33]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/413)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.41)

The representative of Greece made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/56/L.41.

The representative of Cambodia made a statement.

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Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [33]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/413)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.41)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 33.

Statements were made by the representatives of Croatia, Cyprus, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Ukraine, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Egypt.

The General Assembly was informed that at the request of the sponsors, action on draft resolution A/56/L.41 would be taken at a later date.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

(a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Coun-

tries and Peoples on its work during 2001 (A/56/23 (Parts I-III))

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/61, A/56/65 and A/56/159)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/56/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, G-para. 7; A/56/L.40)

The Acting-Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples made a statement in the course of which he introduced the Committee's report (A/56/23) and draft resolution (A/56/L.40).

The Acting-President informed the General Assembly that action on the two draft resolutions submitted under agenda item 18 would be taken after the General Assembly had considered the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

Reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Rapporteur of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) made a statement in the course of which he introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 85 to 91, 92 and 18, 93 and 12, 94 as well as 18.

Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/547) [85]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 7 of its report (A/56/547) (resolution 56/50).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 85.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/548) [86]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 10 of its report (A/56/548) (resolution 56/51).

The representative of Brazil made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 86.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/549) [87]

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to VII recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 22 of its report (A/56/549).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 56/52)	151	2	2
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 56/53)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 56/54)	151	3	1
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 56/55)	154	0	1
Draft resolution V (recorded vote) (resolution 56/56)	151	3	1
Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 56/57)	150	3	1
Draft resolution VII (recorded vote) (resolution 56/58)	151	3	1

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 87.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/550) [88]

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 22 of its report (A/56/550).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 56/59)	83	4	58
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 56/60)	148	4	2
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 56/61)	145	4	3
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 56/62)	145	4	2
Draft resolution V (recorded vote) (resolution 56/63)	147	2	3

The representative of Papua New Guinea made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 88.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/551) [89]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) contained in document A/56/551.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 89.

Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/552) [90]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 11 of its report (A/56/552) (resolutions 56/64).

The Assembly was informed that a decision on draft resolution B would be taken at a later date.

The General Assembly adopted draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 10 of its report (A/56/552).

The Assembly decided to conclude this stage of its consideration of agenda item 90.

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/553) [91]

By 149 to 0, with 6 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 7 of its report (A/56/553) (resolution 56/65).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 91.

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/554) [92 and 18]

By 147 to 2, with 5 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 9 of its report (A/56/554) (resolution 56/66).

By 92 to 51, with 0 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 10 of its report (A/56/554).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 92.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/555) [93 and 12]

By 106 to 0, with 50 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 7 of its report (A/56/555) (resolution 56/67).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 93.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 12.

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/556) [94]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 6 of its report (A/56/556) (resolution 56/68).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 94.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/557) [18]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to IV recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 20 of its report (A/56/557) (resolutions 56/69, 56/70, 56/71 and 56/72).

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 21 of its report (A/56/557).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: draft resolutions (A56/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, G-para. 7; A/56/L.40) [18]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 18.

The Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolution recommended by the Special Committee contained in Part III, Chapter XIII, section G, paragraph 7 of document (A/56/23) and on draft resolution A/56/L.40.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

By 147 to 2, with 4 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution contained in Part III, Chapter XIII, section G, paragraph 7 of document A/56/23 (resolution 56/73).

By 132 to 2, with 21 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.40 (resolution 56/74).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representative of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey) and the United Kingdom.

The representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of the Latin American and Caribbean States) made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE 38th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: high-level dialogue on strengthening international cooperation for development through partnership [97 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.22 and L.56

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.56, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.22.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.56.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.56, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.22 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Documentation submitted under the item

Upon the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee took note of document A/56/482.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of subitem 97 (c).

Environment and sustainable development: Convention on Biological diversity [98 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.9 and L.58

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.58, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.9.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.58.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.58, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.9 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of subitem 98 (d).

(g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.8 and L.57

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.57, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.8.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.57.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.57, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.8 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of subitem 98 (g).

Operational activities for development: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries [99 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.14 and L.54

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.54, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.14.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.54.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.54, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.14 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: implementation of the Programme of Action on the Least Developed Countries [106 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.59

Following a statement by the representative of Belgium, on behalf of the European Union, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), informed the Committee on the status of the negotiations on the draft proposals under his chairmanship.

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 37th meeting of the Second Committee (see *Journal* No. 2001/239, p. 13): under *Macroeconomic policy questions* [95], the draft resolution should read A/C.2/56/L.36 *instead of* A/C.2/56/L.33.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 34th meeting

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [131] *(A/56/495 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/56/501 and A/56/665)*

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [132] *(A/56/497 and Add.1, A/56/265, A/56/500 and A/56/666)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of these agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and India.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these agenda items.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these agenda items would begin on that day, Monday, 10 December, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Ms. Anne Merchant (Norway).

Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [134]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.17.

The Chairman informed the Committee that action by the Fifth Committee on the draft resolution would be held on Thursday, 13 December, in the afternoon.

Other matters

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management replied to questions raised at the 33rd meeting of the Committee, held on Friday, 7 December.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Chairman also made a statement.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
ACTING AS THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
FOR THE SECOND WORLD ASSEMBLY ON AGEING
Resumed first session 8th meeting

Election of a Vice-Chairman [1]

The Chairman made a statement.

Organization of work [2]

The Preparatory Committee approved its organization of work, as contained in document E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.10.

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Second regular session for 2001

EXECUTIVE BOARD
Second regular session of 2001 15th and 16th meetings

Opening of the session: statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director [1]

The President of the Executive Board (Armenia) opened the session.

The Executive Director made a statement.

Adoption of the provisional agenda and timetable and organization of work [2]

The Secretary of the Executive Board introduced the item.

The provisional agenda and timetable and organization of work were adopted as contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12.

Medium-term strategic plan for the period 2002-2005 [3]

The Deputy Executive Director, Programme and Strategic Planning, introduced the item.

Statements were made by representatives of France, Canada, the Russian Federation, the United States, Italy, Japan, Guinea, China, the Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Bangladesh, Switzerland, Finland, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Colombia, Cuba, India and Indonesia.

The Deputy Executive Director, Programme and Strategic Planning, responded to issues raised by delegations.

The Executive Director also responded to issues raised by delegations.

The Board decided to continue consultations on the draft recommendation contained in document E/ICEF/ 2001/13.

The Board thus concluded consideration of agenda item 3.

Biennial support budget for 2002-2003 [4]

The Comptroller introduced the item and made an in-depth presentation.

The Deputy Executive Director, Internal Management, Administration and Finance, also made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by representatives of France, the United States, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Canada, to which the Deputy Executive Director responded.

The representative of China also made a statement, to which the Deputy Executive Director responded.

The Board adopted the draft decision on the budget proposal contained in document E/ICEF/2001/AB/L.10.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of item 4.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution on Long-term Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP). Geneva, 28 September 1984

Accession: Estonia (7 December 2001)*

Protocol on Water and Health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes. London, 17 June 1999

Approval: Hungary (7 December 2001)*

* Date of reception of the relevant documents.

European Agreement supplementing the Convention on road traffic opened for signature at Vienna on 8 November 1968. Geneva, 1 May 1971

Accession: Latvia (7 December 2001)*

International Convention on Arrest of Ships, 1999. Geneva, 12 March 1999

Accession: Latvia (7 December 2001)*

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Latvia (7 December 2001)*

* Date of reception of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Year of Mountains

The global launch of the International Year of Mountains 2002 will take place *today*, 11 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The former President of the Swiss Confederation, H.E. Mr. Adolf Ogi, will preside. Welcoming remarks will be made by H.E. Mr. Murari Raj Sharma, Vice-President of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will make an address on behalf of the Secretary-General. Mr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, will deliver a keynote address on the International Year of Mountains. Brief statements will be made by H.E. Mr. Kurmanbek Bakiev, Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic, H.E. Mr. Alan Wagner, Ambassador of Peru to the United States and former Minister for Foreign Relations; Mr. Alberto Gagliardi, Under-Secretary of State for Regional Affairs, Prime Minister's Office, Italy; and Mr. Josef Plank, Secretary for Agriculture, Niederosterreich, Austria; and Mr. Louis Besson, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Chambéry, France. Mr. Nitin Desai will moderate a round table discussion, followed by a debate, on "Three Conditions for Sustainability in Mountain Development". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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<http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency>

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

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Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development:

<http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org>

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